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Testimony of
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In support of Raised HB5384
An Act Concerning Reports of Nurse Staffing levels
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I am a Registered Nurse at Danbury Hospital on 10West which is a surgical unit. I am writing to support H.B. 5384, An Act Concerning Reports of Nurse Staffing Levels. I support mandatory reporting of staffing levels in nursing. This bill is essential because the public should have the right to know what the nurse to patient ratio is when choosing a health care facility for their care.

Understaffing on a surgical unit leads to patients being in pain longer than is necessary, possible delays in treatment of post operative complications, and issues with patient safety.

Hopefully this bill will encourage hospitals throughout the state to appropriately staff our medical facilities. As nurses we strive to provide the best possible care for our patients and I believe this bill will help us accomplish this goal.

Sincerely,

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